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1. OFFICIAL ZAIRIAN PRESS SERVICE (AZAP) REPORT DATED LUSAKA AUGUST 8 QUOTES FROM "RELIABLE SOURCE" THAT OUTGOING MPLA PRESIDENT NETO, WHO REPORTED RETURNED TO LUSAKA AUGUST 7, WILL GIVE AN ACCOUNT OF HIS TERM OF OFFICE AND MAKE HIS RESIGNATION OFFICIAL AT MPLA CONGRESS TO OPEN AUGUST 8 AT AN UNSPECIFIED SITE NEAR LUSAKA. AZAP SAYS CONGRESS DELEGATES WILL ELECT NEW PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, DRAW UP NEW POLICIES AND STRATEGIES WITH A VIEW TO JOINT MPLA-FNLA NEGOTIATIONS WITH PORTUGAL, AND STUDY MEANS OF APPLYING DECEMBER 1972 ACCORD TO UNIFY FORCES WITH FNLA. ADDS THAT MEMBERS WHO LEFT MPLA FOLLOWING "MISUNDERSTANDINGS" ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN CONGRESS, AND THAT 200 DELEGATES ARRIVED AUGUST 7 FROM BRAZZAVILLE.

2. KINSHASA DAILY SALONGO REPORTED AUGUST 8 THAT ZAIRIAN POLITICAL BUREAU MEMBER AND AZAP DIRECTOR MPANUMPANU WILL SPEND WEEK IN UNCLASSIFIED

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ZAMBIA TO ATTEND MPLA CONGRESS AS ZAIRE'S OFFICIAL OBSERVER. ALSO

REITERATED EXPECTATION THAT FOLLOWING CONGRESS MPLA EMISSARIES
WILL COME TO KINSHASA TO SETTLE ON STRATEGY FOR JOINT FNLA-MPLA
NEGOTIATIONS WITH PORTUGUESE (SEE REFTEL). NEWLIN

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